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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

TO CDRTRADOC FT MONROE VA//ATTNG-PRD-SA-T//PRIORITY

SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4347

INFO DA WASHDC//DAMO--SSA//

USCINCEUR VAIHINGEN GERMANY

SECDEF WASHDC//ASD ISA/NESA/DSAA-TS//

CDR DARCOM ALEX VA//DRSIL-WM-SA//

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SUBJECT: HELICOPTER TRAINING FOR BDF OFFICERS (FMS CASE OAE)

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- (B) CDRTRADOC MSG 182117Z JAN 77 NOTAL
- (C) EMBASS MANAMA MSG 0119 DTG 151353 JAN 77
- (D) CDRTRADOC MSG 121302Z JAN 77
- 1. EMBASSY CANNOT REASONABLY PRESS BAHRAIN DEFENCE FORCE TO DECLARE ITS DEFINITIVE INTENTIONS REGARDING HELICOPTER TRAINING PROGRAMS IN ABSENCE OF USG POSITIONS ON WHICH BDF WILL BASE ITS JUDGMENT. EMBASSY REQUESTS CDRTRADOC ESTABLISH CLOSE LIAISION WITH SECDEF/ISA AND SECSTATE/NEA/ARP ON THIS QUESTION.
- 2. ADDITIONALLY, EMBASSY REQUESTS SOME CLARIFICATION REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE TRAINING COURSES. WE READ REF B (SUBJ: CANCELLATION OF AVIATOR TRAINING) AS A CANCELLATION OF THE ENTIRE COURSE IN WHICH BDF HAD TWELVE SLOTS. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. ACTION REQUESTED OF DEPARTMENT: FOR TRADOC PLANNING PURPOSES, IT IS OBVIOUS THAT BDF, NOT HAVING SENT ITS OFFICERS TO ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING AS SCHEDULED IN OCTOBER/NOVEMBER CANNOT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED COURSE. WITH DEPT. CONCURRENCE, THEN, EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT CURRENTLY SCHEDULED COURSE RESERVATIONS BE CANCELLED, WITH SECDEF AND SECSTATE PREPARED, IN

THE INTEREST OF OVERALL US-BAHRAINI RELATIONS WHICH ARE CURRENTLY UNDER DISCUSSION, TO RECOMMEND ON TOP PRIORITY BASIS RESCHEDULING OF BDF PARTICIPATION IN COURSES SHOULD RENEWED BDF REQUEST OCCUR. REQUEST DEPT. ADVICE. CLUVERIUS

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